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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 3679
Kelly Molenaar)
Serial Number: 10/050,834) Examiner: Garcia
Filed: January 15, 2002)
Title: PREMIUM BALL) Response to Non-Compliant
JOINT AND SYSTEM) Amendment
Attorney Docket: MSH – 203RCE) December 9, 2008

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed October 8, 2008, the applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application on the basis of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

Please find enclosed 4 pages of drawings containing 13 Figures as new sheets of drawings to correct the many objections of the Examiner. Specifically, the drawings have been amended in the following manner:

The drawings have been re-arranged on the sheets to better accommodate the clarity of the drawings. These drawings have been labeled "New Sheets".

In Figure 6, the cross-hatching of the housing has been modified. In Figure 8, the retaining member is now shown. Further, the axis 300-300 is now shown in a broken line.

In Figure 7, the ends of the broken line 200-200 have been designated by Arabic numerals corresponding to the view number of the sectional view. In Figure 3, the ends of the broken line 100-100 have been designated by Arabic numerals corresponding to the view number of the sectional view.

In Figures 4 and 6, the solid black shading for the channels 26 has been eliminated and in Figure 9, there is a bracket enclosing the exploded view.

In the Specification, amendments were made to accommodate the changes in the drawings.

Specifically, on page 4, line 19, "100-100" was deleted and -- 6-6 -- was added. "3" was amended to -- 4 --, by deleting the number 3 and adding the number 4 and the phrase "and also showing the ball therein" was deleted. In addition, "200-200" was deleted from line 22 and -- 8-8 -- was added.

On page 7, at line 18, "100-100" was deleted and -- 6-6 -- was added and "3" was amended to -- 4-4 --. Also, at line 25, "200-200" was deleted and -- 8-8 -- was added.

Applicant has stated the amendments in the drawings and the specification with specificity. Enclosed are pages 4 and 7 of the original specification showing the amendments on each. Separate sheets for the paragraphs amended are required only if a replacement paragraph is being submitted.

Also enclosed are four pages of drawings containing 13 Figures.

Applicant requests a two-month extension of time to respond to the office action. The Commissioner is hereby given permission to charge the fee of \$245.00 to Deposit Charge Account 13-2492. The applicant is a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,



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